

Records of Golfers for Season Indicate Fight for Amateur Title Will Be Open With No Ruling Favorite

AMATEUR GOLFERS AWAIT BIG TEST ON MERION LINKS

Preliminary Season Is Over
and Championship Is Not
Far Distant.

KIRKBY AND LEWIS ARE METROPOLITAN STARS

The amateur golfers of the country have had their annual opportunity to prove their skill in tournament play, and from now until the national amateur championship at Merion in September they will find good competitions few and far between. The usual resort tourneys will be played, but they are unimportant affairs, which afford little of the stiff opposition which every aspirant for the national title needs. The first stage of the golf season has ended, and what has it brought forth?

Here in the Metropolitan district no new names have come to the fore. Some of the familiar ones have become a little more familiar and others seem almost in danger of being forgotten, so little have their owners done to keep them in the public eye. The usual number of tournaments has been held, many of prominence have had their chance to shine, and those who have done the best work will be discussed briefly.

Kirkby Wins Double Crown.

Oswald Kirkby of course comes first, and if he only can play at Merion as he did at Englewood and Nassau he should be a formidable contender for the national title. In winning the New Jersey and Metropolitan championships, he played golf of a high order and even those who had been wont to criticize him rather harshly in the past admitted that he was playing better golf than at any previous time in his long career on the links.

Lewis Also Has Two Titles.

Next to Kirkby among the Metropolitan golfers stands the other wearer of a double crown, Reginald M. Lewis, Westchester and Connecticut champion. Although neither title is as important as those Kirkby holds, young Lewis won both from good fields and played convincing golf while winning them. Tournament experience is what Lewis lacks most, his game goes to pieces now and then just at the time when he should be able to tighten up.

With more competitive experience Lewis should be a dangerous man in any tourney, and although he is not now of championship calibre, he is capable of putting any golfer in the country out of the running at Merion if he should happen to be at his best for a round or two.

Henry J. Topping is the third double winner in the Metropolitan district this season, but his victories came early and have been followed by one disappointment after another. In the two tourneys he did win, Ardmore and Garden City, he played golf that would win almost anywhere. With MacDonnell Smith to coach him through the summer months Topping may succeed in regaining the form which carried him to victory this year. If he does he too will be hard to beat at Merion.

Travers Has Played Little.

Although he has not played in a single exhibition tourney this season Jerome D. Travers cannot be overlooked in considering the possibilities for the national title. He has played in public only five times, always in exhibition four ball matches in which he has had a partner to help him. Three times he has been on the winning side and twice has suffered defeat.

His golf in these matches has been uncertain, good one round and poor the next, but there is no knowing what may happen between now and September. It takes a championship to bring out the best in Jerry Travers, as his opponent has found in the past to his cost. Until Travers is beaten no other golfer in the field can rest easy, no matter how he may manage to have done before the championship actually begins.

Others Have a Chance.

The Metropolitan district will send other good golfers to Merion. Some have won at Merion last year, but none has done enough to enhance his reputation. Max Marston, Frank Dyer, Gardner White, John G. Anderson and Philip Carter all have done a little winning here and there, but each of them began with a little greater fame and reputation than are his now.

Carter has been the biggest disappointment of all. His remarkable record at Pinhurst last winter led nearly every one to believe that he would be the dominating figure in Metropolitan golf this season, but instead defeat in an early round has fallen to his lot with depressing regularity. His performance and one for which he cannot receive too much credit was his winning of the medal in the qualifying round of the Metropolitan amateur championship at Nassau. He led a big field that day under almost intolerable weather conditions.

Chick Evans Is Favorite.

Out in the West this year Chick Evans of course is the outstanding figure because of his great victory in the national open championship at Minikahda. Some of the golfers are hoping that Chick will put as well in the East as he did in the West last month. The new champion, in a magazine article describing his victory, says that he discovered a new method of putting on the eve of the championship and that it gave him confidence on the greens. If he still has that confidence when he gets to Merion, Chick may become the first holder of both national titles.

Gardner May Win Again.

Chicago also will send to Merion the defending champion, Robert Gardner. It must not be forgotten that Gardner has won the national title twice, something that only two or three other golfers have been able to do, and his victories in 1909 and 1915 will make him one of the favorites this year.

NINE GOLFERS WHO HAVE BEEN IN THE FOREFRONT OF THE AMATEUR RANKS IN COMPETITION THIS SEASON.



four rounds at Middlebury, leading Warren K. Wood by five strokes. Among others in the field were Paul Hunter, Albert Seckel and Donald Edwards, so Gardner's triumph was gained over worthy opponents. This evidence that he is still at the top of his game is good news to the amateur champion's host of friends in the East.

Not Sawyer, Warren Wood, Albert Seckel, Mason Phelps and Paul Hunter will be the middle West's other favorites if they can arrange to come East to Merion. Sawyer is dangerous in any tourney in which he starts, but the others have not been playing as well lately as in former years.

Boston's Chances Are Slim.

Boston without Outmet to represent her is not likely to figure prominently at Merion. Jesse Guilford, imported from the rocky fastnesses of New Hampshire, seems to be Boston's best this year, and his record in the tourneys played about that city has been an excellent one. In fact, putting forth his best, he won so often that he stayed out of the later events in order to give the others a chance.

Fownes Is Playing Well.

William C. Fownes, Jr., national champion in 1910, is the kingly in the Pittsburgh district this year. He became so eight days ago, when he won the Western Pennsylvania championship by beating Eben M. Myers on the latter's home course, Allegheny. Myers, Davidson, Herron, who won the medal, and Ormiston are the other Pittsburgh golfers who are likely to be heard from when the big struggle begins at Philadelphia.

Strangely enough, although the national championship is to be held on a Philadelphia course, there is not a golfer in that city who is considered seriously as a championship possibility. The victory of a Philadelphia at Merion would be the largest upset possible. Cameron B. Buxton, the new Philadelphia champion, Sidney Sharwood, H. B. MacFarland are the only Philadelphians who seem likely to accomplish anything worth while.

Detroit Has Pair of Stars.

From other parts of the country there will come good golfers who may make themselves famous before the tourneys end. Detroit has Howard Lee and Jimmy Standish. Lee is probably the dominating figure in Metropolitan golf this season, but instead defeat in an early round has fallen to his lot with depressing regularity. His performance and one for which he cannot receive too much credit was his winning of the medal in the qualifying round of the Metropolitan amateur championship at Nassau. He led a big field that day under almost intolerable weather conditions.

Kennel Stud Book Out.

Volume XXIII of the "American Kennel Club Stud Book," just issued, appears in two parts, one devoted to the sporting breeds and the other to the non-sporting. This volume contains the record breaking registrations of 22,126 for the year, making the total registrations of 208,944 since the formation of the stud book.

Show for Charity.

The bench show committee of the Columbia County Kennel Club has voted to give the entire proceeds of the show to be held in Hudson on September 2 to the Woman's Club of that city for distribution to the many needy fund for families of the absent soldiers.

Puppies for Robert Scott.

Robert A. Scott's French bulldog champion Mireille has presented her owner with a fine litter of four puppies. Champion La France Mireille is the sire. As both of these dogs have been big bench show winners and are recognized as topnotchers in their breed something out of the ordinary should develop from this litter.

SCOTTISH TERRIERS ARE GAINING FAVOR

Club Working Hard to Maintain Interest in This Breed of Dog.

A breed of dogs which is gaining public favor by leaps and bounds is the Scottish terrier. The main reason for the interest now being displayed in this little type is the fact that the parent organization, the Scottish Terrier Club of America, has been putting forth its best efforts to get the breed recognized in the manner it should be. This club is a model of efficiency and its methods should be emulated by other clubs organized to foster the interest of a certain breed.

The officers of the Scottish Terrier Club are all earnest workers who let nothing stand in the way of the welfare of the breed they have adopted. They get together, work in unison and periodically issue a bulletin in which the sales, importations, births, deaths and other matters of interest to the breeders are chronicled. Something is being done by these officers to keep up interest all the time, and the result of this effort has been that the little Scottish is not only becoming more and more popular with dog fanciers but is a prime favorite with many owners who keep dogs for pets or companions.

Great Alredale Coming Here.

Normanton Tip, one of the very best Alredale terriers in England, is said to be destined for this country. The name of the purchaser of this dog has not been made known, but it is certain that in a few weeks the dog will be in a Long Island kennel. This dog is by the famous Champion Tintin Tip Top and has been a good winner on the other side.

English Alredale Arrives.

Champion Midland Royal is the name of the latest sensation in Alredale terriers to make the trip over from England. This dog reached here a few days ago consigned to R. L. Bettis, owner of the Hy-Born Kennels of Fresno, Cal. He has been a big winner at shows held in the British Isles and has proven a potential factor in the stud over there.

Mrs. Thompson Buys a Yorkshire.

Mrs. William C. Thompson of New York has purchased another fine Yorkshire terrier in England. Recently Mrs. Thompson brought over the sensational Arnie, which she had bought in England. It is said that her new purchase is even a better dog than Dick.

English Bull for J. Davies.

J. Davies of Connellsville, Pa., has purchased the English bulldog Roseville Brink from the Hoxeville Kennels of England. This is a young dog which did well on her first time out, getting first puppy under George Rapier.

CHOW NOT VICIOUS; SHUNS STRANGERS

Habit of Holding Aloof Is Responsible for His Bad Reputation.

That Chows are vicious and will bite on every occasion seems to be the belief of most people. On the contrary the Chow is a model of friendliness and a spirit of aloofness and forbearance give him a bad character, but when once his idiosyncrasies are understood and his methods of dealing with his family and the world are known, he is found to be a most companionable and faithful pet.

There is no dog which makes a better guardian for the home or country estate and as the Chow is loyal to the family with which he resides and has nothing to do with any outsiders even though they be guests at the house, it is impossible for an intruder to gain the dog's friendship or to enter long where the Chow thinks he has no right to be.

In appearance a Chow is a beautiful, sturdy, compact dog of fine coat and gentle appearance. They are all that can be desired as pets with their masters, but will bite the neck of any intruder who gets in their path if they are sure that the intruder has no right on the premises. This trait has gained them the name of being early on their feet, a devotion that will be at once dispelled when they are seen disporting themselves around the house or grounds of their owners.

Crabtree and Horrax Sail.

Sam Crabtree and John E. Horrax sailed last Sunday on the American Line steamship Philadelphia for England. Crabtree is returning home after a four months visit to this country, while Horrax is on his way for a round of the English bulldog. This dog is by the famous Champion Tintin Tip Top and has been a good winner on the other side.

Pom Show in Phila.

The next specialty show of the American Pomeranian Club will be held in Philadelphia early in October. Heretofore the Pom club has selected New York as the place for its annual show, but increasing interest in the breed in and around the Quaker City has caused the officers to try the change this year.

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Dr. James O. Lonsdale of Boston had to adjust his thinking cap when he saw Gamins Rival Jr. at the recent French Bulldog show. There were a number of classes where a judge's ability was tested, and Gamins Rival Jr. was found to be the best of the breed on the show. He was a fine specimen of the breed and a good dog.

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BOSTON TERRIERS LEAD

With nearly 800 actual dogs, making a total of more than 1,000 entries, the first A. K. C. Show of the Hudson County Kennel Club, which takes place at Schuylkill Park, Union Hill, N. J., on July 23, is assured of success. Heretofore this organization confined its efforts to giving open match shows, but the support accorded them by fanciers led the committee to attempt a show under the rules of the American Kennel Club. By dint of hard work and a liberal donation of special prizes the big entry resulted.

Boston terriers and Pomeranians lead all other breeds in point of entries. In the former there are 45 dogs nominated, while the latter brought out 30 actual dogs. Alva B. Rosenberg of Brooklyn will judge both of these varieties. Other breeds which have been liberally supported are Airedale terriers with 25 dogs, French bulldogs and Pekingeses with 25 each, fox terriers 23, cocker spaniels 18, collies 17, Chow Chows 16 and Maltese 16. There is an exceptional entry of St. Bernards, 10 dogs of this breed having been nominated. This is gratifying to fanciers who have expended much time and money in trying to foster interest in this noble breed of dog.

Among the exhibitors who have supported the show with their best are the Greenacre Kennels, to which go the honor of making the largest entry of any one kennel. They will bench Chow Chows, Japanese spaniels, English fox terriers and Boston terriers. Andrew Albright, Jr., will bring out a new Airedale terrier in Haughtfield Blaisdell and his wife fox terrier Haughtfield Bumble Bee.

Mrs. A. M. Hunter has nominated several of her Arden Kennel Pekingeses, Mrs. Emma Allard and Mrs. Frank T. Clarke will exhibit Pomeranians, Mrs. Frances Burke Roche a wonderful little toy bull terrier and Mrs. George Ehret, Jr., her new imported Griffon Cocker Spaniel Buz Fox.

From Chicago will come the great winning Airedale Rex per Saltum, which has been clearing the boards out that way for its importer, W. M. Reay, owner of the Briarcliff Kennels. John G. Hulse has entered his Irish terriers and William Drew has supported the show with English bulldogs.

Other exhibitors are Mrs. Edward C. Waller, who shows Chows; Hamilton Fish Webster, cocker spaniels; Mrs. H. H. Piske, cocker spaniels; Mrs. Roy A. Ratney and Mrs. Carl Elmermann, Jr., wire haired fox terriers; George Hooley, beagles; Wex Jones and J. B. Mickle, bull terriers; Julius Fangmann, French bulldogs; John Gans, Jr., German shepherd dogs; Mrs. M. H. Grasser, Pomeranians; Mrs. M. E. Harty, Pekingeses; Mrs. Mabel Riddell, French bulldogs; Hilderfer Kennels, Irish terriers; Loxanovs, Komondors, shepherd dogs; Frederick Poffat, French bulldogs; Col. Jacob Ruppert, St. Bernards; Dr. Martin Samatelski, French bulldogs; Mrs. M. E. Moshier, Boston terriers; and Miss Maude Thompson, Chow Chows.

The support accorded the Hudson County Kennel Club by the exhibitors has been gratifying to the officers and they say that in the future the club will hold regular shows and that Wednesday's feature will be the first of many.

JUDGES NAMED FOR SHOW.

Dr. De Mund Among Those Who Will Official at Hudson.

A list of the judges who will officiate at the second annual show of the Hudson County Kennel Club to be held at Hudson, N. Y., Saturday, September 2, has been sent out by Supt. Foley as follows:

Mr. Hirschberg of Hudson, fox terriers; William Kiback, New York, Boston terriers; Alva B. Rosenberg, Brooklyn, all toys; H. D. Hoffman, Hollis, L. I., Airedales and French bulldogs; Chow Chows and German shepherd dogs; Cruttenford, New Haven, Conn., Airedale terriers; Miss Margaret Irigun, North Yonkers, Boston terriers; and Dr. John E. De Mund of Brooklyn, for all other breeds and unclassified species.

NEW CLUB IN ARKANSAS.

Out in Arkansas a kennel club is being organized with the avowed purpose of forwarding the interests of the pure bred dog throughout that section and holding shows under the A. K. C. rules. The inaugural fixture will take place next October and a date will be claimed shortly.

TITLE NEAR FOR SHANTY.

A fight along for the Scottish terrier, which is right along on its winning streak, is being fought in the hands of the Hoxeville Kennels of England. This dog is by the famous Champion Tintin Tip Top and has been a good winner on the other side.

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